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SUBJECT: ENERGY: US VIEWS ON WASHINGTON ENERGY
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1. ACTION POSTS SHOULD INFORM THEIR HOST GOVERNMENTS THAT BECAUSE OF THE ONGOING INTENSIVE PREPARATIONS FOR THE WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE IN WHICH HE IS CENTRALLY INVOLVED, IT HAS BEEN DECIDED THAT UNDER SECRETARY DONALDSON WILL NOT BE ABLE TO VISIT CAPITALS OF HE COUNTRIES INVITED TO THE CONFERENCE. HOWEVER AS THE SECRETARY SAID TO THE NATO AMBASSADORS JANUARY 25 (STATE 017633) WE WISH IN ANY CASE TO SHARE OUR THINKING AND INVITE THE THOUGHTS OF THE INVITEES TO HELP US IN PREPARING THE CONFERENCE. POSTS SHOULD INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS THAT IF THEY WISH TO DO SO WE WOULD WELCOME THEIR SENDING TO WASHINGTON ONE OR MORE SENIOR OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR GOVERNMENT'S PREPARATIONS FOR THE CONFERENCE TO MEET WITH DONALDSON AND WITH OTHER USG OFFICIALS FOR THOE PURPOSE OF EXCHANGING VIEWS. IN ANY EVENT AS THE SECRETARY POINTEDOUT WE INTEND TO HAVE FURTHER EXCHANGES OF VIEWS AND PLAN ON DOING SO THROUGH NORMAL DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS. WE WOULD WELCOME ANY INPUTS FROM INVITEES EITHER THROUGH POSTS IN THEIR CAPITALS OR THROUGH THEIR EMBASSIES IN WASHINGTON. WE FURTHER PLAN TO HOLD A PREPARATORY MEETING OF SENIOR OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON ON FRIDAY FEBRUARY 8. US REP WILL BE DONALDSON AND HOPE INVITED GOVTS CAN MAKE AVAILABLE OFFICIALS MENTIONED IN LAST SENTENCE THIS MESSAGE.

2. POSTS SHOULD DRAW ON THE SECRETARY'S LATEST REMARKS TO NATO AMBASSADORS TO SUPPLEMENT GUIDANCE ALREADY RECEIVED ON SUBSTANCE OF CONFERENCE. IN THIS MESSAGE WE ARE TRANSMITTING OUR VIEWS ON THE AGENDA AND SCENARIO FOR THE MEETING WHICH POSTS SHOULD MAKE AVAILABLE ASAP TO APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS. WE PLAN TO SEND A FULLER STATEMENT OF OUR VIEWS AND THE UNDERLYING ANALYSIS TOWARDS THE END OF THE WEEK.

3. AGENDA: WE ENVISAGE THE FOLLOWING AGENDA. THE VIEWS OF OTHERS WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

A. THE ENERGY SITUATION AND IMPLICATIONS FOR POLICY
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UNDER THIS ITEM, WE EXPECT TO PRESENT OUR ANALYSIS OF THE SUPPLY/DEMAND AND PRICE SITUATION ITS IMPACT ON THE WORLD ECONOMY AND IMPLICATIONS FOR THE STRUCTURE OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND THE POLICY RESPONSES REQUIRED TO DEAL WITH SITUATION. WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR THE VIEWS OF OTHERS ON THE SAME SUBJECT. WE WOULD EXPECT THIS PART OF THE MEETING TO BE IN PLENARY SESSION.

B. NEW INITIATIVES FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

(I) UNDER THIS ITEM, WE WOULD DISCUSS THE INTENSIVE FOLLOW-UP WORK REQUIRED TO TRANSLATE POLICY INTO EFFECTIVE COOPERATIVE ACTION AMONG CONSUMING COUNTRIES. IN OUR VIEW THE TWO MAIN AREAS FOR COOPERATIVE ACTION AMONG CONSUMING COUNTRIES ARE:

-- IMPROVING THE SUPPLY AND DEMAND OUTLOOK THROUGH:

- (A) DEMAND RESTRAINT AND CONSERVATION
- (B) DEVELOPING ALTERNATIVE SOURCE OF CONVENTIONAL FUELS
- (C) EMERGENCY ALLOCATIONS
- (D) COOPERATION IN R & D, AND

-- INTENSIFYING ECONOMIC AND MONETARY POLICY COOPERATION TO DEAL WITH THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE PRESENT SITUATION.

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(II) DISCUSSION OF THESE SUBJECTS WOULD BE IN BOTH PLENARY AND IN SEPARATE RESTRICTED SESSIONS (WORKING GROUPS) OF (A) FOREIGN MINISTERS WHO WILL DEAL WITH THE INTERRELATIONSHIPS INVOLVED IN A COMPREHENSIVE CONSUMER ACTION PROGRAM AND AGREE ON THE FOLLOW-UP PROCEDURES, INCLUDING HOW TO INVOLVE THE LDCS AND RELATIONS WITH PRODUCER COUNTRIES, (B) FINANCE MINISTERS

WHO WOULD DEAL WITH THE ECONOMIC AND MONETARY POLICY ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM, (C) ENERGY OFFICIALS WHO WOULD DEAL WITH CONSERVATION, DEMAND RESTRAINT, DEVELOPING ADDITIONAL OR ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF CONVENTIONAL FUELS

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AND SHARING IN AN EMERGENCY, AND (D) SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OFFICIALS WHO WOULD DEAL WITH R & D COOPERATION.

C. COMMUNIQUE

UNDER THIS ITEM WE WOULD RECORD THE UNDERSTANDINGS IN PRINCIPLE TO UNDERTAKE A COMPREHENSIVE COOPERATIVE ACTION PROGRAM AND THE PROCEDURAL AGREEMENTS REACHED WHICH INVOLVE ESSENTIALLY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL TASK FORCE OF SENIOR OFFICIALS TO PREPARE FOR A FOLLOW-UP FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE. WE FORESEE THE CREATION OF A PLENARY COMMUNIQUE DRAFTING GROUP AT THE OUTSET OF THE CONFERENCE. THE DRAFTING GROUP WOULD PERFORM ITS WORK DURING THE CONFERENCE AND PARTICULARLY IN A MONDAY EVENING MEETING.

4. SCENARIO : WE WILL SEND YOU SHORTLY A DETAILED SCENARIO INCLUDING SOCIAL EVENTS. OUR TENTATIVE THINKING IS TO TRY TO COMPLETE DISCUSSION OF ITEM 1 IN THE COURSE OF THE FIRST MORNING OR POSSIBLY BY EARLY AFTERNOON. THIS WILL OF COURSE, DEPEND ON HOW MANY SPEAKERS WISH TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM AND THE LENGTH OF TIME EACH WILL SPEAK. IF THE WORKING GROUPS COMPLETE THEIR DELIBERATIONS BY THE END OF THE FIRST DAY, SO THAT THE PLENARY SESSION CAN RESUME THE SECOND MORNING AND RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE REPORTS OF THE WORKING GROUPS, THE CONFERENCE COULD WIND UP ITS WORK LATE ON FEBRUARY 12. HOWEVER GIVEN THE COMPLEXITY OF THE MATERIAL AND THE POSSIBILITY OF THE NEED FOR AN ADDITIONAL SESSION DURING THE MORNING
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